

## Public Lands Purged of Pot

**H**iking through foggy jungle-like ravines, fatigue-clad men and women cut their way through thick foliage searching for marijuana gardens cleverly hidden on public lands in northern California's rural Humboldt County.

The team was led by BLM law enforcement rangers. They were also a part of the more than 200 people who participated in Operation Green Sweep, one of the largest concentrations ever of military and civilian law enforcement personnel for a single marijuana eradication effort. This summer's exercise took place on the 60,000-acre King Range National Conservation Area in northern California.

Because of the King Range's rugged mountains and isolated beaches along the Pacific Ocean, many marijuana growers have often chosen to hide their gardens in the area.

"Yesterday we hiked all the way to the Lost Coast searching for gardens," a guardsman said. "We called it the hell march." The sophisticated marijuana cultivators, along with the rugged terrain of this wilderness study area, presented many obstacles to search teams made up of members of the California National Guard, the U.S. Army's 7th Infantry Division (Light), BLM law enforcement personnel and several other federal, state and local agencies. In one area, near Tolkan Campground, a team was assigned to remove a garden, but getting there was half the battle. Loose-soiled paths leading to a cliff overlooking the area crumbled beneath their feet. Then a ravine, which was no easy chore to maneuver, had



*Director Cy Jamison escorted members of the press to a marijuana garden in California's King Range National Conservation Area so they could get a first hand view of the ruggedness of the countryside and the techniques used by marijuana growers.*

*Photo by Tony Staed, California State Office.*

to be crossed, followed by three streams that the teams traversed before finding a marijuana garden on a small, gently sloping plateau.

"Bingo! All right," shouted BLM Ranger Felicia Probert. "I knew it was down here."

"The hike was worth it," exclaimed one guardsman.

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## Message from the Director . . . . .



**Cy Jamison**

**A**s the fiscal year comes to a close, I think it is a good time to reflect on a busy, productive year filled with many successes. When I took office in June 1989, I promised there would be new initiative and positive

change in the BLM. I think you will agree that we have done just that.

In the past year, we have taken on new and exciting challenges — Recreation 2000, Back Country Byways, Fish and Wildlife 2000, Tread Lightly, Adventures in the Past, Watchable Wildlife, Partnerships, Challenge Cost Share, Automation — each with a success story to tell about the BLM.

For the first time in a decade, the President's budget reflects an increase in our wildlife and fisheries program. In addition, the BLM's total budget increased while other agencies were taking cuts. We signed a memorandum of understanding with Times Mirror to promote natural

resource management, and the **Smithsonian Magazine** published a 17 - page article for its 3 million readers across the nation telling the BLM story. These are not accidents. They are the result of hard work and planning.

None of these accomplishments would have been possible without the tremendous support, drive and tenacity of every BLM employee. And, as we put FY 90 behind us, let us go into FY 91 with that same spirit and drive even though some budget cutting measures may test our resourcefulness. Let's keep up the momentum, because there is no telling what other great accomplishments we can make in managing the public land for the future.

## BLM Operation Green Sweep

After Probert gathered her evidence, the soldiers began their work — ripping out the plants. "There's not a whole lot I can do to stop people from smoking this stuff, but at least I am stopping some grower from sending his poison to L.A.," one soldier said.

Roger Bruckner, BLM Special Agent and Operation Green Sweep incident commander, explained that BLM has only a few agents and rangers in California to police millions of acres of land. "They (the marijuana growers) are clever," he said. "Increased eradication efforts by BLM and

other law enforcement agencies in recent years have forced some of the growers into planting smaller gardens. They plant several of them in hard to reach places believing it's too costly for us to uproot them."

A National Guardsman returning from a mission nods

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# Green Sweep

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in agreement and says, "It would be impossible for BLM agents to hunt and remove these gardens by themselves. This is grunt country, and the way these gardens are spread out, it would take forever for BLM to find all the gardens we've found so far."

The procedure employed by BLM in Operation Green Sweep was to use helicopters to lift teams into areas where marijuana gardens had been spotted. The teams hiked into the remote, mountainous areas to find gardens spotted earlier by observation helicopters or reconnaissance teams.

Special Agent Craig Magill, who headed up the eradication operations for Operation Green

Sweep, noted that the paths to the gardens were skillfully camouflaged. "Some plants were sprayed with a brown water-based paint in an attempt to blend the garden into the surrounding vegetation," he said.

In some cases, booby traps and even signs reading, "Big Brother is Watching," were strategically placed to discourage the path's hikers. One long-nailed trap was designed to penetrate an intruder's foot. Other fish-line-type traps were set up to trip people walking on the path.

"Often the grower wants you to think the wire is attached to an explosive device," said Chris Brong, BLM California's

Special Agent-in-Charge. "I found myself near a garden with several wires running by it. I wasn't sure which wires, if any, were attached to a harmful device. You really have to stop and think whether to continue."

"Most of these growers who are caught will tell you these traps are not for the cops," says BLM Special Agent Gary White. "They're for the patch pirates, people who steal growers' gardens for profit. The result is the same. That booby trap doesn't care whether the person is a patch pirate or a 12-year old kid — it's still going to go off."

Operation Green Sweep, which ran from July 30 through August 9, resulted in the destruction of nearly 1,500 plants with a potential street value of more than \$4 million. More important were the 12 tons of marijuana-growing equipment, including hose, water barrels, and fertilizer, that were removed from the public lands. Several marijuana drying sheds were dismantled, and a .22-caliber rifle was confiscated.

BLM Director Cy Jamison praised the operation, saying he was pleased not only with the removal of the illegal plants, but with the rehabilitation of the public lands.

"We are going to make these lands safe again," he said. "They belong to the American people, not just a select few

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The California National Guard provided and maintained a two-week camp for the more than 200 people participating in this summer's Operation Green Sweep in northern California. Pictured is BLM Special Agent Craig Magill who was in charge of the marijuana eradication operations.

Photo by Roger Bruckner, California State Office.

## Wyoming BLM Hosts International Environmentalists

by  
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The smell of a campfire and barbecued ribs capped off a day of information exchange and western hospitality in June when the Rock Springs District hosted a group of 17 international environmentalists on a two day leg of their national tour titled "Environmental Protection Efforts in the United States." The diverse group of European officials, environmentalists, journalists, researchers, industrialists and their State Department escorts travelled the United States to learn about our most pressing environmental issues and U.S. perspectives on international issues such as global warming, ozone depletion and acid rain.

The impact of the Federal Clean Air Act on coal and energy industries in Wyoming, as well as general issues of federal land management was the focus of the trip. While in Rock Springs, the group toured the Bridger Coal Mine and Power Plant, located on federal and private land, to study reclamation activities. Representatives from federal, state and



*Al Riebau, BLM senior technical specialist for air resources, explains BLM environmental monitoring efforts to a group of foreign environmentalists at a site four miles north of Pinedale, Wyoming. Riebau's explanations led to a technical discussion of how the BLM's data can be used to learn more about international environmental concerns such as global warming and acid rain.*

local government met with the foreign visitors to share information on environmental issues of interest to both. Their tour closed with a trip to an acid rain deposition monitoring site outside of Pinedale, Wyo., where they were shown the Bureau's environmental monitoring efforts.

Dr. Kevin Bradley, from Ireland and member of the European Community, found his conversation with State Director Ray Brubaker quite educational.

Bradley is interested in founding a European organization similar to the Bureau of Land Management. The Wyoming BLM was the only BLM host on the nationwide tour. Countries represented included Austria, West Germany, Finland, Canada, Ireland, Czechoslovakia, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, the U.S.S.R., the United Kingdom and Yugoslavia.

# California Suggestion Program A Success

by  
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California's Employee Suggestion Program is proving to be a boon to the BLM, saving both dollars and manpower. A total of 24 suggestions have been processed so far this fiscal year. Of the 24, six were adopted with a total award to employees of \$1,150. Three have been forwarded to the Washington Headquarters Office for further evaluation while another has been evaluated by the BLM Incentive Awards Committee and is at the Department level for evaluation.

Among the six who submitted suggestions was Raymond Hanson, from the Alturas Resource Area, who was awarded \$500 for his suggestion on the adoption of the "Radio Help" program. "Radio Help" is a network of more than 80 agencies and companies with reliable two-way radios in California. The BLM is able to promote a positive image at a minimal cost to the government by identifying its own two-way radio equipped vehicles with "Radio Help" decals. The suggestion will be piloted in the Susanville District, and after one year will be evaluated for possible statewide application.

Other successful suggestions include a coloring book to promote and expose more Californians to the Wild Horse and Burro Adoption Program, which garnered a \$100 award for Mindy Odom of the Bakersfield District. Patricia Cook from the Redding Resource Area received \$100 for her suggestion on the use of an automated spreadsheet to calculate and track right-of-way rentals.

From the Susanville District, Lou Ann Fargo received \$100 for her suggestion on "Prison Trained Wild Horse Historical Tracking Information Input." Daniel Brown from the Ukiah District was awarded

\$250 for his suggestion on "Off-Highway Vehicle Loading Ramps." His suggestion to use an adjustable strap to secure loading ramps will prevent the ramps from slipping and causing personal injury and/or damage to equipment when loading off-highway and all terrain vehicles onto a truck.

And, to help handle the paperwork problem, Yvonne Jahn from the California State Office, Division of Administration, was awarded \$100 for her suggestion for an "Employee Performance Folder" which would allow an orderly and consistent procedure for filing performance appraisals. The Employee Performance Folder would ensure that the appraisals always follow an employee's official personnel file when they transfer.



*Forester Ray Hanson (right) from BLM's Alturas Resource Area Office, and Tim Sehorn of Pacific Power, affix the first "RADIO HELP" decal to a BLM pickup. Hanson encouraged BLM's involvement in the program, arranging for a unique partnership that is a commitment to community safety.*

## Washington Office

### New BLM Employees

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**Thomas Hewitt**, Nat. Res. Spec., ESO, to Min. Plng./Env. Spec., Fluid Min. Lsng.  
**Lee Allen**, Prsnl. Stfng. Spec., Prsnl.  
**Peter Ertman**, Dept. Mgr. Devl. Pgm. to Plng./Env. Analyst, Plng./Env. Coord.  
**Donald Hinrichsen**, Data Admin., NMSO, to Prgm. Analyst, Budget  
**Daniel Arvizo**, Dept. Mgr. Devl. Pgm. to Rng. Con., Rangeland Res.  
**Robert Abbey**, Supvy. Res. Spec., Yuma DO, to Prgm. Analyst, Budget  
**Richard Whitley**, Area Mgr., Clackamas RA, to Dept. Mgr. Devl. Prg., Emp. Devl.  
**Donna Thurber**, Mgmt. Analyst, Info. Res. Mgmt.  
**Charles Hunt**, Pres. Mgmt. Intern, LIS Prg. Devl. Staff  
**Glenn Bessinger**, Area Mgr., Buffalo RA, to Dept. Mgr. Devl. Prg., Emp. Devl.  
**David Darby**, Supvy. Prgm. Analyst, Budget, to Special Asst., AD Mgmt. Svcs.

### Separations

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**Mary Sears**, Secretary, AD, Energy & Min. Res.

## Alaska

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### Reassignments/Promotions

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**Billy Butts**, Supvy. Nat. Res. Spec., Steese White Mtn. DO

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**Jerri Sansone**, Land Law Exam., Conveyance Mgmt.  
**Keith Woodworth**, Supvy. Nat. Res. Spec., Steese White Mtn. DO

### Separations

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**Bruce Durtsche**, Land Use Plnr., Alaska SO, to Wildlife Mgmt. Biol., Susanville DO  
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**Forest Littrell**, Plng. & Env. Analyst, WO, to DSD, Operations, SO

### Retirements

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**Retirements**

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Patricia Pickens, Contact Rep., SO  
 Erick Campbell, Supvy. Nat. Res. Spec., Safford, DO, to Wldf. Biol, SO

Joshua Warburton, DM, Burns DO, to Nat. Res. Spec., SO

Alice Bronsdon, Archeologist, Rawlins DO to Vale DO

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 Edwin Forsman, Pet. Engr., Vernal DO

Janice Machipiness, Rlty. Spec., Bear River RA

David Cook, Cartog. Tech., SO

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Lou Layman, Writer-Editor, Casper DO

Jayson Parks, Wldf. Mgmt. Biol., Rawlins DO

**Service Center****Reassignments/Promotions**

Linda Sedbrook, Posn. Class. Spec. to Labor Relations Spec., Prsnl.

Kay Thomas, Comp. Prog. Analyst, System Engng.

**Boise Interagency Fire Center****New BLM Employees**

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James Knox, Prsnl. Officer, Mgmt. Svcs.

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## BLM Around the Country

**Job Enrichment Program Field Employees** — (left to right) **Earl Hindley**, management analyst, Utah, **Susan Mielke**, supervisory personnel management specialist, Service Center, **Joyce Fierro**, supervisory legal technician, New Mexico, and **Robert Thompson**, land surveyor, Idaho, are introduced by Director **Cy Jamison** (center) at a Washington Office all-employee meeting. The four are part of the Job Enrichment Program, one facet of the professional development component of the BLM's Careers Program. The Job Enrichment Program is designed to provide employees with cross-training at various program levels.



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**Armstrong Skills Training Graduates Join BLM** — (left to right)

**Robert M. Williams**, **Linda Smith**, **Stewart Johnson** and **Ronald Ellis** recently joined BLM after completing the clerk-typist course at Armstrong Skills Training in Washington, D.C. The program is federally funded under the Job Training Partnership Act and is designed to provide occupational training to unemployed and underemployed residents of the District of Columbia.

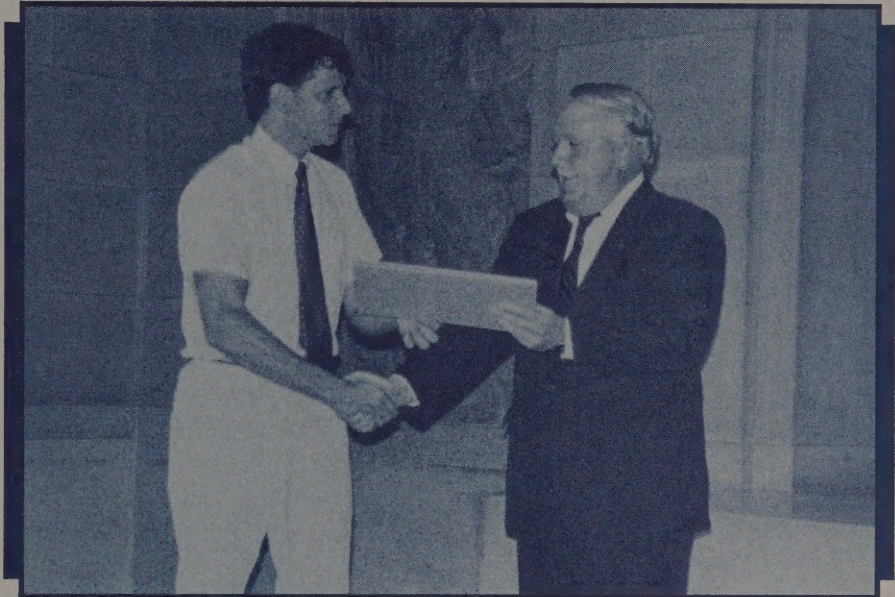




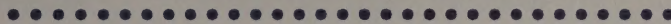
## BLM Around the Country

### Marsh Receives Departmental Superior Service Award —

**Gary Marsh**, Washington Office outdoor recreation planner, receives Departmental Superior Service Award from Director **Cy Jamison**. Marsh was cited for his key role in initiating and implementing policy and direction for the Bureau's evolving river management program. BLM manages 32 National Wild and Scenic Rivers in five western states comprising some 2,000 miles.

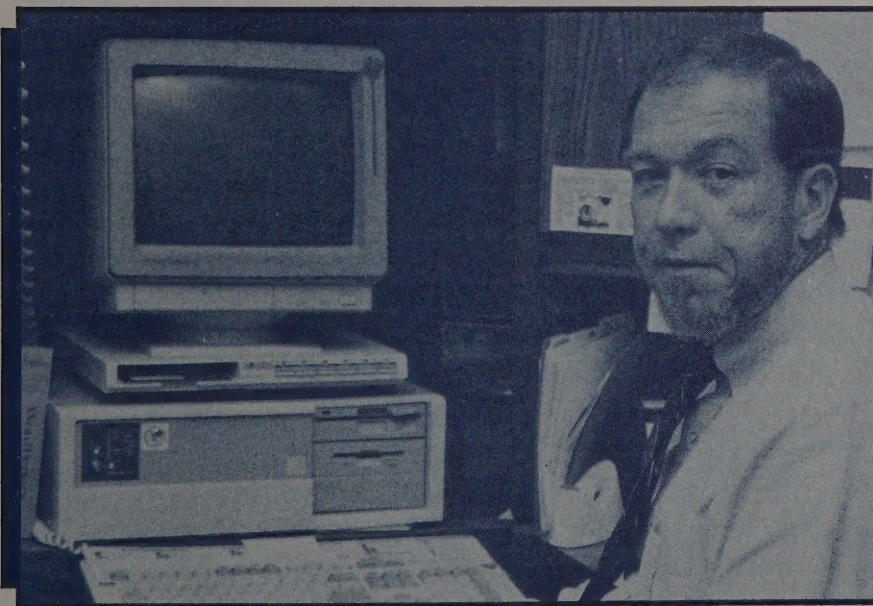


*The **Superior Service Award** is granted for significant acts, services or achievements that materially aid or effect the successful accomplishment of the Department's mission.*



### Bernie Hyde Tapped for NSF Task Group — **Bernie Hyde**, Chief,

Division of Hazardous Materials in the Washington Office, has been selected to serve on an interagency task group to assist the National Science Foundation (NSF) in drafting regulations for pollution control in Antarctica. The group has been called to assist NSF's Division of Polar Programs and the Office of General Counsel in designating pollutants and in creating an effective pollution permit program under the Antarctic Conservation Act.



## MUSTANG LADY GRABS SECOND IN PREMIERE ENDURANCE EVENT

by

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**N**aomi Tyler was hoping for a top 10 finish in the prestigious Tevis Cup Challenge endurance race held August 4 at Squaw Valley, Calif. The race, which follows much of the old Pony Express route in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, is regarded as the most grueling of all horse endurance races. Horse and rider must cover 100 miles, gaining more than 17,000 feet in elevation and dropping another 22,000.

Tyler would have been pleased with merely a good showing among the 227 entrants. "Never in my wildest dreams did I think we'd finish second," Tyler said. But that is exactly where she and her former wild horse, Mustang Lady, ended up.

"The Tevis is the toughest endurance ride in the world, no doubt about it," said Tyler who adopted Mustang Lady from the BLM eight years ago. "This year it was especially difficult because it was so hot." In some of the canyon bottoms, it was 110 degrees, according to Tyler.

The two, ranked third nationally in the endurance



*Naomi Tyler and Mustang Lady, second place winners in the Tevis Cup endurance race held August 4 in California's Sierra Nevada Mountains.*

standings, began the race at 5 a.m. and finished at midnight. Naomi Tyler led the race most of the way, before the eventual winner, Hal Hall, a Californian, took over late in the event. The trail itself is narrow and rocky in many places and is not a place where one would want to take a horse that is not surefooted Tyler admits.

Tyler adopted Mustang Lady after a BLM round-up in Idaho's Owyhee Mountains. "There was something about her, the quality you see in a puppy at the pound," Tyler recalled. Although Tyler did not go to the round-up with

adoption in mind, she came home with Mustang Lady.

Countless hours of work followed. The transformation from a frightened, lame wild horse to champion animal did not happen all at once. But eventually they broke through, and the pair have been gathering ribbons and trophies since.

"She loves to race. She's all business in competition," Tyler said. The Tevis, as is the case in most endurance races, is dominated by Arabian breeds. In the race's 45-year history, only two non-Arabian horses have taken top honors. One of the two was a wild horse that

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## Interns Help Milwaukee District with GIS

by  
*Jim Boylan,*  
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**W**ith the help of interns majoring in cartography and geography, the Milwaukee District Office was recently able to map and develop its Geographic Information System (GIS) drainage system. The system involved Army Corps of Engineers projects that included reservoir and flood control areas in high potential oil and gas production areas.

Three senior students, Tim Nuteson, Jim Hicks and Robbie Van Alstine, worked 18 hours per week from the middle of January through the first part of May on specific projects. Nuteson was assigned the task of familiarizing himself with the GIS system in order to create a training program that would help district fluid minerals employees better understand the GIS fluid minerals process. Hicks and Van Alstine used their cartographic knowledge to transpose data concerning oil and gas drainage onto maps that

noted the extent of drainage and corresponding revenue loss from federal oil and gas properties in the states of Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

"The use of the intern program and the interns selected turned out to be a definite boost to our drainage program," said Jeff Nolder, geologist in the Fluid Minerals Division. According to Nolder, the work performed by the three saved the division an estimated five work months.

*Intern Robbie Van Alstine, University of Wisconsin senior majoring in cartography, works on a reservoir drainage project, lining up transparencies to transpose federal lands to topographic sheets.*



## Green Sweep

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One of the objectives of Operation Green Sweep was to restore the public lands to their natural, pristine state. Many structures like this one were removed from the King Range National Conservation Area. Growers use sheds like this to dry marijuana crops and to store growing equipment.

Photo by Craig Magill, California State Office.

who take advantage of the land's remote and rugged character for their illegal activities. We are sending a message that we are not going to tolerate drugs on the public lands."

In a similar operation, known as Operation Ghost Dancer, BLM is removing illegal drugs and rehabilitating public lands in Oregon. As of mid-September, the BLM, with the support of the military and others, has removed nearly 6,300 plants from both public and private lands. The team also has removed two booby traps and three weapons and has made 14 arrests.

## MUSTANG LADY

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won back in 1960. "We thought it was about time that a wild horse win again," said Tyler.

And the future? Tyler said that she will give Mustang Lady a break from racing for a few weeks before competing in the Northwest Regional Championship at Bend, Oregon, in September. "I think she deserves it, said Tyler.

But, she and Mustang Lady have a busy schedule ahead. The end of 1990 will be filled with the Championship Series events. In addition to the Northwest Regionals, they will compete in the Mountain Regional Championship in Colorado in October and the final championship ride at

Carson City, Nev., in November. The team to have the best overall score in these three events will win the National Championships. Tyler and Mustang Lady will compete in the North American Championships in Reno, Nev., in 1991 and hopefully go on to the Olympics or World Cup in 1992.

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### Inside Track

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